

**First Church of the Brethren
Roaring Spring, PA
October 3, 2021**

I am so grateful, dear Jesus, that as you did with the little children who came to you, you take me in your loving arms, lay your hands on me and bless me.

Prelude *It Is Well With My Soul* Thygerson

Welcome, Announcements & Greeting

Enter the Light of Christ *He is Here*

Call to Worship

One: Walk humbly before the Lord, even in hardship and pain.

All: We will live with integrity before God, all the days of our lives

One: Walk faithfully before our God, even when life tests us.

All: We will honor the Lord our God all the days of our lives.

All: Come! Let us worship.

Praise Through Video

Children's Story Bonnie Butler and Dylan Butler
(Children ages Pre-K through 5th Grade are invited to attend Children's Church in the stage area of the Fellowship Hall.)

Choir Anthem arr. Shackley
Since Jesus Came Into My Heart

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Congregational Prayer

Invitation to Give

Organ Offertory *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* Smith

*Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn # 89 vs. 1,4 ,5

For the Beauty of the Earth

Scripture 1 John 1:7

Sermon Walk in the Light

*Hymn #147 *Oh, How Wondrous the Grace*

*Benediction

*Organ Postlude *Lead On, O King Eternal!* Thygerson

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

Bold indicates congregational response.

Please include in your prayers: Nevin Dell, Tom Sell, John Coates, Carl Hoover, Barbara Roush, Jake Yingling, Kay Lingenfelter, Barry Yingling, Lynea Davis, Ron Snyder, Bill Grubb, Dan Hershberger, Gertie Johnson, Dorothy Holsinger, Debbie Surin, Fred Beers, Katy & Don Roudabush (Don's mother passed), essential workers and first responders.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Leadership Team has and continues to do what we think is best for the congregation. With that in mind, we would like to provide the following updates and clarifications. At this time the Church is 100% open for all in person activities and worship. As the CDC updates regulations on wearing of masks and social distancing, the Leadership Team would like to remind the congregation that we have never required anyone to wear a mask. The position the Leadership Team has taken has been and continues to be "We encourage you to wear a mask based on your individual circumstances". Please evaluate your own individual situation and continue to do what you feel is best.

Pennies for Witness have previously been collected prior to Heritage Fair and District Conference, but we are a little late this year getting started! Please contribute any change, and by change we mean any form of money; pennies through \$100 bills and even checks, into the container located in our Overflow Room. Checks may also be placed in the offering noted with "Pennies".

Stewardship Report 09/26/2021

Worship Attendance 98 Sunday School 54
 Worship Offering \$ 3,602.00 Sunday School Offering \$73.25

	Serving Today	Next Sunday
Candlelighter	Deacons	Deacons
Organist	Cathy Petre	Cathy Petre
Pianist	Terry Hershberger	Brenda Fluke-Garber
Storyteller	Bonnie and Dylan Butler	Pastor Dave
Children's Church	Jodie Dellinger	Not held
Welcome Center	Darlene Wyland	Darlene Wyland
Worship Leader		
Greeters	Dan & Carol Emerick	Dan & Carol Emerick
Deacon Greeters	Dave & Janet Imes	Dave & Janet Imes
Nursery		
Parking Lot Greeters	Earl Bryson	Don Bookhammer
Head Ushers: Pat Frazier, Dave Brumbaugh, Earl Bryson		
Chancel Choir Accompanist: Cathy Petre		

October 3 - 10, 2021

Today	9:25 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Sunday School
	6 pm	Deacon Prayer
	6:30 pm	Love Feast
Tuesday	9:30 am	Bible Study in Alpha Classroom
Wednesday	9 am	Ladies Aid Quilting
	1 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry in Parlor
	5:45 pm	Recharge!
	6:30 pm	Virtual Bible Study
Thursday	6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Practice
	9 am	Bulletin Deadline
	9 am	Breakfast Fellowship
Sunday	6:30 pm	Knitting Group in Parlor
	9:25 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Sunday School

Please sign the Friendship Attendance Register located at the end of each pew. We encourage members and regular attenders to include any changes to address, email or telephone numbers so the office has the correct information.

Fairview Church of the Brethren has **apple butter** for sale made at Heritage Fair on Sept. 18th. Quarts are \$6 and pints are \$4. Contact Lois Lynn at 814-729-7870 if interested.



Love Feast will be held Sunday, October 3rd at 6:30 pm in our Fellowship Hall. Contact your shepherd or Deacon Chair Krista Snyder if transportation is needed. Childcare will be available.

WHAT DOES THE "SPECIAL MINISTRIES TEAM" mean to us at First Church?

Members of the **Deacon Body's Special Ministries Team** include Krista Snyder, Pattie Conlon, Sharon Hammel, Kaye Russell, and Dave & Valerie Smith. Please be reminded that their on-going purpose is to improve the nurturing of one another within the church by making the congregation aware of crisis situations and then formulating ways to be of assistance.

The Team also plans and coordinates support for those in our church family who experience special circumstances such as long-term illnesses, emergency transportation needs, relief visit needs, recuperation from surgeries, temporary meal assistance, or caring for shut-ins with special needs. Please be in contact with one of the Team members, the Pastor, or the church office, should you become aware of a particular need or concern so that they can promptly address the situation and offer their support. And as always, the Team thanks those of you in the congregation who so graciously agree to assist when called upon.

Virtual Bible Study link is <https://zoom.us/j/837184785>

Helpers are needed for the Nursery and Children's Church.
Please prayerfully consider volunteer for one Sunday. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

Room	Class	Room	Class
202	Nursery	402	Alpha Class
201	Pre-K – 1 st Grade	405	Generation Hope
506	2 nd – 5 th Grade	406	Genesis Class
504	Junior Youth	301	Mr & Mrs Class
502	Senior Youth		



November 7, 2021

Those who are aged 65 or older are invited to join us for a meal at noon in our Fellowship Hall, Sunday November 7th. Watch for more details in upcoming bulletins.



October 31, 2021

Following Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall

Soup will be provided

Bring a salad, sandwich, or dessert to share

Living out our Faith

Vision Being the hands and feet of Jesus, serving with open minds and hearts.

Mission We exist to be a community of welcome and worship where people find peace, purpose, and power through Jesus Christ.



We will be requesting names of those you would like to see called as Deacons on October 10th, so we ask that you prayerfully consider those in our midst who you feel are called to serve First Church and its ministries. Please read what the Constitution states about Deacons as you make your decisions. Then on October 24th we will be voting on names submitted.

From our Constitution

SECTION 10 - Deacons

1. The Deacon Body shall consist of all duly called and installed Deacons of the church as defined by Annual Conference and the Middle District of Pennsylvania. The duties of this body shall be to assist the Pastor(s) in counseling and ministering to the sick, the unfortunate, and the needy; to assume general oversight of the physical arrangements for observing the ordinances of Baptism and Lovefeast; to cooperate with the Pastor(s) in the visitation of members to maintain the standards for credentials of membership; and to counsel and approve all candidates for the ministry.
2. Any member of the congregation in good standing is eligible to be called to the Deacon Ministry. (A member in good standing shall be defined as one who is faithfully fulfilling his/her baptismal vows. These vows are confessions of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and worshipping, serving, and sharing in the programs of the congregation by prayer, regular attendance, loyal service, outreach, and faithful stewardship).
3. Deacons shall be called to a term of 5 years of office, with no limit to the number of terms to which they may be called. Any Deacon serving 20 or more years may elect to become Deacon emeritus. The process of calling Deacons shall be detailed in the Deacon minutes. Changes to the process must be approved by the congregation at a Congregational Forum.
4. The Deacons shall elect their own chairperson/officers. The Senior Pastor (and Associate Pastor) shall serve as ex-officio members of the Deacon Body.

Deacons

Mitch & Bethann Frederick (2021)
Terry Hershberger (2021)
Pattie Conlon (2021)
Gary & Barbara Wineland (2021)

Mike & Becky Bianconi (2022)
Dave & Valerie Smith (2022)
Paul & Julie Witkovsky (2022)

Mark & Betsy Garach (2023)
Kaye Russell (2023)
Krista Snyder (2023)
Linda Steele (2023)
Doug and Brenda Garber (2023)
Dan and Sharon Hammel (2023)
Don Bookhammer (2023)

Keith & Kristen Hall (2024)
David & Janet Imes (2024)

Those eligible to serve again

Sandy Norris (Term ended 2019)
Mitch & Bethann Frederick
Terry Hershberger
Pattie Conlon
Gary & Barbara Wineland